November and December, 2006. The *ad hoc* additional allocation is proposed to be continued till March, 2007.

Subsidies for wheat production

*354. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to offer liberal subsidies to the farmers in the country to substantially increase production of wheat during the ensuing rabi season; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b) The Government of India has drawn up a special three-year plan for increasing the production and productivity of wheat in 138 identified districts. Under the plan, provision has been made to provide assistance for seed distribution, demonstration, micro-nutrients, improved farm implements and subsidy for diesel. The proposal is under consideration. However, 48,000 quintal of quality seeds of improved variety of wheat has been allocated to different wheat producing States to conduct field demonstrations, out of which 43,750 quintal seed has been supplied to the States.

Share of SSI in export

†*355. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the share of small scale industries in export in comparison to the organized sector as on date;

(b) the details of contribution of small scale industries in creating employment opportunities and property in the country;

(c) whether any long term policy has been formulated for the development of small scale industries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.